

TRINITY GARDENS SCHOOL



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Our school values:

Respect
Responsibility
Learning



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BOOK WEEK 2017

Term 3 Week 5
22 August 2017

Dear Parents/Caregivers,



As part of Trinity Gardens School Book Week celebrations, we were privileged to have illustrator Mandy Foot talk to our Junior Primary and St Morris Unit students.

From the start of each session, Mandy



engaged the students with her friendly and bubbly manner. She was extremely organised with a vibrant and visual power point display which allowed all learners to focus on the aspects of the talk which met their needs. Mandy provided examples of the stages of her illustrations before they were placed in a picture book. The information she gave when showing her sketches and illustrations kept the children and staff very interested.

Mandy read a popular story, "Bums and Tums", to the younger classes and drew a picture for the students to share as well

as providing an activity that teachers could follow up with in the classroom.



With the older students Mandy guided them through the steps to draw a pelican after reading "Below Deck on the Sunken Wreck." The students were very proud of their efforts!

All teachers and classes were thrilled with Mandy's visit. We look forward to meeting Mandy again and we cannot wait for her new book to be published.

Comments from staff:

The children loved Mandy's talk. They were engrossed, as was I.

They were very keen to get drawing when we got back to class.

Today Zia was very excited because she found one of my books had been illustrated by Mandy (Old MacDonald had a farm) and was keen to search for the others she found were listed in the book. Cheryl

The students in SMU really enjoyed it and I think the staff enjoyed helping with the pelican drawing too! It was really nice of Mandy to pose for photos with our students too. Rachel

Kathryn Beilby

Teacher Librarian

REMINDER!

Grandparents & Special Friends Parade

Fri 25 Aug. 9.15am start

Morning tea 10.30am in the gym

Diary Dates

Week 5

Book Week

24 August Thursday

Rm 26A Class Play, Stokes Ctre, 9am, 11.20am & 6pm

25 August Friday

Grandparents & Special Friends Book Week Parade, Parade starts 9.15am, 10.30 Morning tea in the gym

26 August Saturday

Quiz Night

29 August Tuesday

Education Committee Mtg, 6pm

1 September Friday

School Closure Day

4 September Monday

Rm 23A & 24A Glenhaven Pk Camp
RAN Volunteer Training, 9am, Res Ctre

5 September Tuesday

Rm 23A & 24A Glenhaven Pk Camp
Class Parent Rep get together
OSHC mtg @ 6pm

6 September Wednesday

Rm 1W & 7W Royal Adelaide Show

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7 September Thursday

Rm 9J Botanical Gardens Exc

11 September Monday

Rm 19A, Rm 20A & 31RC Shiloh Hills
overnight camp
Rm 22A Aldinga Camp
Governing Council 6.30pm

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Diary Dates cont'd

12 September Tuesday

Rm 22A Aldinga Camp

13 September Wednesday

Choir Rehearsals off-site am
After School Market

22 September Friday

Steiner Spring Festival

Info to be sent home

25 September Monday

Showcase Morning

29 September Friday

End of term 3

Early Dismissal

2.05pm

16 October Monday

Start Term 4

Advance notice

Aquatics & Swimming Skills Lessons

Term 4

Week 3 & Week 4

FINANCE NEWS

Overdue Payments Reminder

Please check your child's schoolbag, as statements have been sent home earlier this week.

Outstanding amounts are now overdue for payment.

Thank you

SCIENCE NEWS



Trinity Gardens has a new sustainability logo!

Designed by Chloe from Class 5 and crafted into logo format by Carolyn from MK Design it reminds us to value and embrace our Earth and the resources it provides us with.

This logo is now featured on the school's recycling bins, reminding us that it comes down to simple choices such as not wasting water, energy or food and keeping recyclable resources out of landfill to build a more sustainable future.

Would you proudly spread the message by putting a sticker on your bin?

Spring is on the way!



Every time you pass one of these 'Stop, Look, Listen, Think' signs we hope it will trigger a thought about safe and active travel.

Trinity Gardens School is encouraging our community to be more active, with the trips to and from school a great place to start for many families. We are hoping that more children will make this a habit, as the weather warms up and choose active transport more often. The

benefits are obvious.

What is happening in the forest?

Portrush Forest is a heavily used play area, quite unique! Without our fantastic band of Wednesday morning parent helpers it would rapidly show signs of excessive wear and tear.

Like all gardens the work is both endless and immensely rewarding. As spring approaches we have flowers in profusion and the return of the varied bugs and birds that call it home. Also spotted were two middle primary girls out with their bug catcher - precious learning!

But spring also brings the weeds - seedling ash trees and soursobs. Give a little time to the forest and put some of these weeds in the green bins by the frogpond fence - you may be amazed by the other things you learn out there as well.

Anna Kakoschke

Science Specialist Teacher



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

External Review - Thank you to those community members who participated in our External Review this week. Our review panel members were:

- ♦ Greg Graham - DECD Review Officer
- ♦ Anne Lamont - Principal, Stradbroke Primary School
- ♦ Rebecca Read - Principal, Coorara Primary School

The panellists visited our school this week for three days and interviewed staff, students and parents about our school. They also spent time observing in classrooms and visiting the St Morris Unit, Children's Centre and Early Learning Centre. The focus of the review was about effective teaching and student learning. Already the feedback received has been very positive with some areas for growth that we can incorporate into our site improvement plan going forward. A full report will be made available in the coming weeks.

This week the virtue we have been focussing on is friendliness. Please find attached some suggestions for assisting your child to be a good friend.

Kind regards

Marg Erwin

Principal

FRIENDS OF THE PORTRUSH FOREST

(good) News from the Forest

Some hard work and a generous donation has rained down on the Forest in the past week (oh yes, and some actual rain!).

Class 4 families have rebuilt the shop/ cafe in the St Morris alcove - I highly recommend their mud muffins!

We have also planted a dwarf Red Shahtoot mulberry in the orchard, kindly donated by Perry's Fruit and Nut Nursery, Kangarilla Rd, McLaren Flat.

This tree produces the most delicious berries, which look a bit like long red caterpillars! If we look after it carefully, it will produce many, many berries so everyone can have the opportunity to try them! (Another good feature is they won't stain clothes like other mulberries do.)

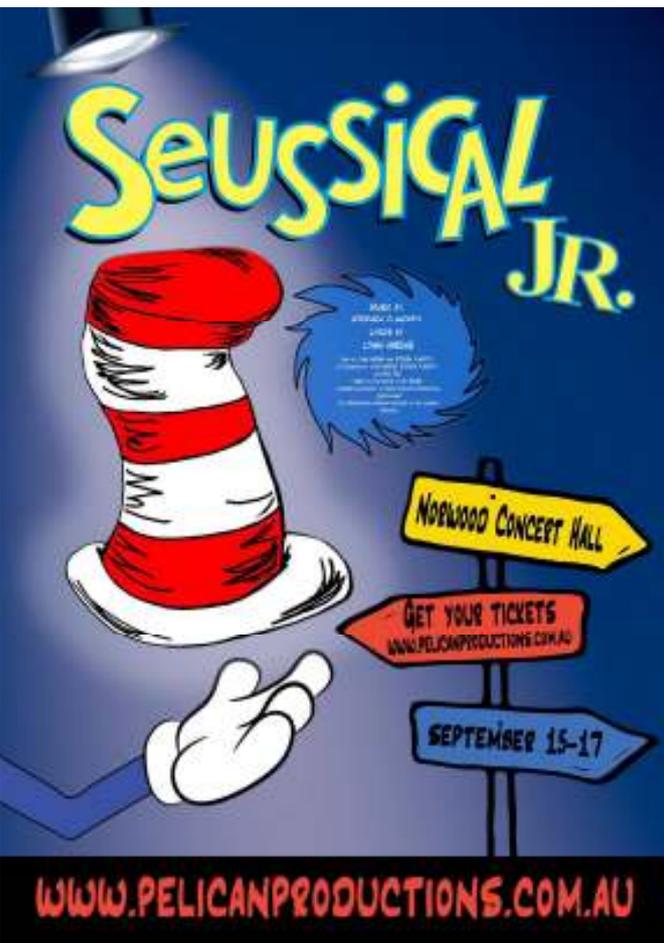
Warm regards

Jacqui Hunter

(Friends of Portrush Forest)



COMMUNITY NEWS



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Suessical Jnr Musical

Featuring two students from Trinity Gardens School,
Aisha S and Lola R.

Magill Little Athletics Centre welcomes children aged 5 to 16 with a separate Tiny Tots program for children 3 and 4 years old.

New athletes are entitled to two FREE Come & Try sessions.

Where: Haslam Oval (Pembroke), Gurrs Road, Kensington Park

When: Our season commences on Sunday 8th October 2017 and continues until mid-March 2018

Time: Arrive by 8.30am for an 8:45am start

If you have any further enquiries, please contact Chris (New Member contact) at admin@magill-lac.org or on 0422 930 262

Website: www.magill-lac.org or find us on Facebook

*Importantly, a parent is required to be in attendance for the duration of all Sunday meets.



Accessing the School

To access the school online and keep up to date with all school info.

Skoolbag app—Skoolbag.com.au for parent community school information, including downloading forms etc.

Nominating for After School Sports is now available online via the skoolbag app.

School Website www.trinitygps.sa.edu.au

Absences

SMS 0476 857 210 or telephone the School Office 8431 4170, press 1 and leave an absentee message

Leave name, room number and reason for absence



Disability Policy and Programs PARENT FORUM

2017

WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2017

Disability Policy and Programs Parent Forum

Are you a parent or carer a child or young person with a disability then we would like to invite you to the next in a series of Parents Forums hosted by the Department for Education and Child Development.

The forum is an opportunity to:

- Hear Kelly Vincent (MLC) speak on the Select Committee Report on Access to the South Australian Education System for Students with a Disability and address questions raised by the Parent Forum
- Listen to Mark Witham, Director of Funding update on the current funding model for students with disabilities
- Have a say, be listened to and be engaged in conversations
- Share your ideas with others and be informed about initiatives and new directions about the services and support available for students with a disability.

Wednesday 20 September 2017

Education Development Centre
Rooms G 11A & B (see map attached)
4 Milner Street, Hindmarsh SA 5007

9:30 am – 10:00 am Tea and coffee

10:00 am – 2:00 pm Parent Forum

A light lunch will be provided. A map to help with parking and details about public transport connections are attached.

Please book your seat and notify us of any dietary requirements by emailing your RSVP to the Special Education Resource Unit Julie.cakebread68@schools.sa.edu.au by Friday 15 September 2017. A detailed agenda will be forwarded on confirmation of your booking.

PARKING CAN BE AT A PREMIUM